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CONNECTICUT AND COLORADO EDUCATORS NAMED TO ALAS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MARLBOROUGH, MA – March 1, 2013 – The Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS) Board of Directors have named two distinguished educators to serve on the ALAS Board.

Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Harford Public Schools, in Hartford, CT will serve the ALAS New England Region. Dr. Kishimoto’s experience with STEM initiatives and working with English Language Learners brings an added opportunity for ALAS to focus its efforts on influencing education policies at the national level. “Dr. Kishimoto’s experience in transforming the Hartford Public Schools to close achievement gaps will be a tremendous asset to ALAS as we move forward in improving the education experience for Latino students across the United States. We look forward to working with such a well-respected innovator in education,” said Veronica Rivera, ALAS Executive Director.

Also joining the Board is Susana Cordova, Chief Academic Officer, of the Denver Public Schools, in Denver, CO. Ms. Cordova brings more than 20 years experience in education and has worked at the elementary, middle and high school levels. She believes that “schools are the great equalizer in our society and we must create opportunities for all children and help them grow and achieve at high levels.” Ms. Cordova will serve the ALAS Southwest Region. “ALAS is grateful to have a professional of Ms. Cordova’s experience whose support of literacy instruction and work on inclusionary practices to meet the needs of all learners will benefit ALAS as we continue our efforts as a representative voice for Latino students,” added Rivera.

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About the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS)

The ALAS Mission is to provide leadership at the national level that assures every school in America effectively serves the educational needs of all students, with an emphasis on Latino youth, by building capacity, promoting best practices, and transforming educational institutions. ALAS was established in 2003 in response to a lack of national advocacy and representation of Latino students.